

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with attorney Kirk M. Miles on 31 October 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

- Cancel claims 1-6, 9-12 and 17-19.
- Rewrite claim 15 as follows:

--A surgical scrub composition comprising, in weight percent of the total composition:

- (a) from about 0.1% to about 5% of 1-docosanol;
- (b) from about 0.05% to about 5% of chlorhexidine digluconate;
- (c) from about 60% to about 95% of alcohol;
- (d) from about 0.1% to about 5% of glycerin;
- (e) from about 0.1% to about 5% of a 25% active solution of behenyl trimethyl ammonium methosulfate in cetearyl alcohol;
- (f) from about 0.1% to about 5% of isopropyl palmitate;
- (g) from about 0.03% to about 5% of a preservative selected from the group consisting of methylparaben and propylparaben; and
- (h) from about 1% to about 35% of purified water.--

- Rewrite claim 8 as follows:
 - A method of using a surgical scrub composition for hand antisepsis comprising:
 - (a) applying a cleansing liquid to the skin;
 - (b) scrubbing the skin with an anti-microbial scrub solution;
 - (c) rinsing the anti-microbial scrub solution from the skin; and
 - (d) applying an effective amount of a surgical scrub composition according to claim 15.--

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